Both Verizon and Comcast have engaged in anti-competitive activity by throttling Netflix in the past. Tmobile has interfered with Google Wallet to stifle competition. Verizon recently throttled Netflix again as part of a "test run". This is real and documented. The corrupt stooge in charge of the FCC just refuses to acknowledge any of this.

This is going to be extremely damaging to consumers and Internet businesses. What about the free market? Isn't competition good? More and more of our economy is moving online, and apparently Ajit Pat's plan is to let it get infested with corruption and special interests.

And no, the FTC is not going to protect us. The FTC is retroactive. Consumers essentially need to become law enforcement investigators and conduct constant monitoring of their internet speeds and build up an extensive profile detailing abuses. Then, AFTER an incredibly lengthy process which will most likely be brought to a crawl by the seemingly unlimited legal resources of ISPs, will the FTC consider taking action. The FCC is either totally devoid of common sense or under a stranglehold by special interests if it thinks this is a reasonable solution.

I'm going numb. I'm watching this slow train wreck that is the American oligarchy and I can't seem to do anything about it.